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## Intimations

Hongkong, 29th January, 1901.



## Today's Advertisements.

### HARMSTON'S GRAND CIRCUS

AND  
ROYAL MENAGERIE.

'JANSONS'—TO-NIGHT!  
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'JANSONS'—TO-NIGHT!  
'JANSONS'—TO-NIGHT!  
AND OUR ALL STAR COMPANY.

EVERY EVENING.  
DOORS OPEN AT 8 P.M. COMMENCE AT 9 P.M., Sharp.  
N.B.—Positively no Half-price to Evening Shows.

LOCATION (RECREATION GROUND (Near the RACE COURSE).

MATINEE TO-DAY,  
(WEDNESDAY), JANUARY 30TH.  
Doors Open at 2.30 P.M. Commence at 3.30 P.M.  
Children Half-price to all Matinees.

POPULAR PRICES.  
Box Office.—ROBINSON PIANO Co., Queen's Road.  
Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform Half-price to Chairs and Stalls.

ROBERT LOVE, Manager.  
Col. CHAS. B. HICKS, Representative.  
Hongkong, 30th January, 1901. [144]

## VICTORIA PRECEPTORY AND PRIORY.

A REGULAR MEETING of the VICTORIA PRECEPTORY will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, TO-NIGHT, the 30th instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Sir Knights are cordially invited to attend.  
Hongkong, 30th January, 1901. [115c]

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship  
"THALES,"  
Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above Port, on FRIDAY, the 1st February, at Daylight.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 30th January, 1901. [135c]

## OREGON AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH  
THE OREGON RAILROAD AND  
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILING FROM  
HONGKONG TO PORTLAND (OR.) AND  
SAN FRANCISCO,  
VIA  
INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE  
AND YOKOHAMA.  
Taking Cargo to JAPAN PORTS, THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

## THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE,"  
Captain Kennedy.  
This Steamship will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 2nd February, at 4 P.M. for PORTLAND (OR.) VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any Point in the United States and Canada.  
Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel packages will be accepted at the Office of the Under-Signed until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond Portland (Or.), should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, Portland (Or.).  
For further Information as to Freight rates, &c., apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 30th January, 1901. [120c]

## OREGON AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR PORTLAND (OR.) VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

## THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE,"  
Captain Kennedy, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 2nd February, at 4 P.M.  
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers and a duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 30th January, 1901. [134c]

## THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR FOCHOH VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

## THE Company's Steamship

"AKASHI MARU,"  
Captain K. Sumiki, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 31st January.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 30th January, 1901. [137c]

## Today's Advertisements.

### THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

Author and Proprietor:  
MR. N. CHARTER.  
Manager, A. H. & J. POLLARD.

TO-NIGHT!  
LAST NIGHT!  
LAST NIGHT!!

POLLARD'S LILLIPUTIAN OPERA CO.  
OF 50 PERFORMERS  
IN HONGKONG.

BY SPECIAL REQUEST,  
"THE GEISHA."

THIS (WEDNESDAY) AFTERNOON,  
at 3.30 P.M.,  
FAREWELL MATINEE,  
BY SPECIAL REQUEST,  
"THE GEISHA."  
Children, Amateurs, Schools, Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform Half-price.  
Doors Open at 2.30 P.M. Performance at 3.30.

PLAN at ROBINSON'S. PRICES as USUAL.  
Doors Open at 8 P.M.  
Performance starts punctually at 9 P.M.  
Carriages at 11.45 P.M.

The Star Ferry Co. has kindly consented to delay the last ferry to 12.15.

GOOD BYE.

A. H. POLLARD, Manager.  
Hongkong, 30th January, 1901. [1514b]

## Intimations.

## EYE-SIGHT.

Mr. N. LAZARUS,  
Oculist-Optician, of London and Calcutta,  
may be consulted for SPECTACLES  
at 15, Queen's Road Central,  
(R. HOUGHTON & Co.)  
(Nearly opposite the HONGKONG HOTEL).  
Business hours—9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

A GREAT proportion of cataracts and diseases affecting those advancing in life occur to those having some deficiency in the construction of the eyes—the many years of 'Eye Strain' ending in serious forms of disease. Glasses specially adapted in youth to those requiring them save and preserve the sight.

Constantly recurring headaches, spells of dimness when reading, weak eyes, the letters running together; any of these symptoms indicate a deficiency in the form of the eye requiring Glasses only to correct and cure.

Mr. LAZARUS supplies his SPECTACLES only after testing the sight.

ADVICE FREE. [1435b]

## A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

## WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

## PORTS.

(For Invalids and General Use.)

B.—VINTAGE, superior quality,  
Red Capsule.....\$14.40

C.—FINE OLD VINTAGE, superior quality, Black  
Seal Capsule.....16.20

D.—VERY FINE OLD VINTAGE  
extra superior, Violet  
Capsule (Old Bottled) 20.40

Port after removal should be rested for a month before use. Wine required for drinking at once should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out. These Wines are too favourably known to need comment.

Sample bottles and smaller quantities will be supplied at proportionate wholesale rates.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorized Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED  
HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

### HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 1901.

#### REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

#### GREAT BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

#### THE ORDER OF THE GARTER.

LONDON, January 28th.  
The King has presented the Emperor William, who is already a Knight of the Garter, with the same order in diamonds, and has conferred the order of the Garter on the Crown Prince of Germany.

#### THE GERMAN EMPEROR TELEGRAMS.

The Emperor telegraphs to Lord Salisbury and Lord Roberts that he deeply appreciates this signal mark of the King's affection. In His Majesty's telegram to Lord Roberts, he says that he rejoices at being one of his comrades.

#### LORD SALISBURY'S REPLY.

Lord Salisbury in reply said that he was convinced the whole nation, who were so deeply touched by the kindness of His Majesty's visit, would feel the most lively gratification.

#### WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:—  
On the 30th at 12.5 p.m. the barometer has risen on the China coast. The depression is probably crossing Japan, and pressure is highest over N. China. Gradients moderate with strong monsoon on the coasts of S. China. Forecast:—Fresh N.E. winds; fair.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A NURSE, to take charge of children on the voyage home, is advertised for Penang. 5,000 passengers have been snowed up on a railway in southern Russia. 120 were frozen to death.

THE memorial service at St. John's Cathedral on Saturday next will be held at 11.30 a.m. and not as previously intimated.

OVER 72,000 piculs of tin and tin-ore were exported from Negri Sembilan in 1900. The value came to about \$5,338,000 and the duty reached over \$692,519.

In a recent speech delivered by Lord Salisbury, the speaker described London as an overcrowding scandal to civilization. How, we wonder, would his Lordship describe Hongkong?

THE qualified medical men of Bangkok have formed a Medical Association there. The aims of the Association are the advancement of medical science, and the protection of medical interests.

A POLICEMAN at Penang has been fined ten dollars for leaving his beat and being found asleep in a tub. The paper which gives the information does not add that the name of the man was Diogenes.

SEVERAL people have asked us why no royal salute was fired after the reading of the Proclamation of Accession yesterday. We were told that a salute was in the programme and that it was down in Garrison Orders, but nobody seems to have heard it.

THE Malay Mail complains bitterly of the time its telegraphic news takes to come from Penang. A telegram appearing in a recent issue is headed thus:—

[Despatched from Penang at 10.56 a.m. and received in Kuala Lumpur at 8.8 p.m. Time 9 hrs. 12 min. Wonderful!]

At Mount Malcolm, Western Australia, a fine nugget of gold, weighing nearly half an ounce, was found in the crop of a duck on its being killed for the Christmas festivities at one of the leading hotels. N.B.—The crops of Hongkong ducks are more likely to contain pilfered road metal than gold, so we should not advise our readers to stake out claims in their neighbours' poultry yards.

THREE of the nurses at the Scarborough Hospital performed heroic actions in a fruitless endeavour to save the life of a little child named Arthur Harwood. They allowed skin to be flayed from their bodies and grafted on the boy, who was suffering from severe burns. At the inquest the coroner spoke in enthusiastic terms of the nurses who had suffered so much pain for a patient.

A SERIES of cremations of members of the Siamese royal family began at Bangkok on the 14th instant. The ceremonies will extend into next month. Our contemporary, however, fails to state whether the operations are to be carried out on the present or past members of the royal house. If the former, the unfortunate royals have our sincerest sympathy. Bangkok is undoubtedly warm, but a cremating chamber is hotter still.

ACCORDING to a Straits paper, there is a mysterious epidemic among rodents in Kuala Lumpur. Rats were dying wholesale there last month—in some shops five to ten have been found dead in a single day. In one shop over a hundred dead rats were found. Experience in Hongkong would lead one to suppose that plague is about to break out in Selangor and that the epidemic amongst the rats is due to their having been attacked by the disease. The finding of dead rats in the houses here has generally been a forerunner of a recurrence of the plague.

HERE is another Mark Twain anecdote.—Mark Twain, says the *King*, was dining lately with a literary dining club in London, one of whose rules is that each member should introduce his guests formally and in set phrase to the company. This unusual custom appealed to Twain, and when it came to his turn to return thanks, he related it to the club. "I like it," he said, "for it reminds me of the time I lectured in a little town in the Rockies. My chairman was a well-to-do cowpuncher, who found the situation evidently jinksome. 'I'm told I must introduce this yer man by ye, boys,' he said, 'but I can only say two things in his favour. One is that he's never been in jail, and the other is that I don't know why,' and then he set down," as Twain did.

## A GOOD STORY about De Wet is told in a letter received in Glasgow from an officer and published in M. A. P.

"Three Voornachts were taken prisoner near Lindley. De Wet told them he had an important despatch for General Rundle, and if they would undertake to deliver it they would be liberated. All three gave their word of honour to deliver the letter into General Rundle's own hands. They did deliver the letter, which was as follows:—

"Dear Sir,—Please chain up these three devils, as I catch them every day.—Yours, De Wet."

"We have seen this anecdote in every paper which we have opened for the last month. Will some Samaritan kindly chain up this devil of a story? And while he is about it, would be so obliging to muzzle Mr. Doolley, at least for a time? He is getting as great a nuisance as the malarial mosquito."

SPEAKING of the German Chancellor's remarks with regard to the Kaiser's attitude to Mr. Kruger, a recent number of the *Pall Mall Gazette* says:—The Chancellor's references to England and Anglo-German relations have a special interest for us. He was, indeed, almost aggressively anxious to protest against the faintest suspicion of German dependence upon this country. "We have not to look to England for support," he said, "by one hair's breadth more than England has to look to us. But that absolute independence should not and must not prevent relations of reciprocal consideration. Germany is prepared 'to live with England in peace, friendship and concord,' for practical politicians cannot regard strained relations with England as desirable on principle or as a 'permanent peculiarity' of German policy. That sort of *schadenfreude* would be 'a piece of political stupidity.' For that plain and sensible declaration we, in this country, should be grateful. We do not expect much in the way of sentimental affection from our German cousins. We have done them too many good turns in the past, in days when Germany was less independent of England than she is now, not to remember that the burden of gratitude is ever hard to bear. But business is business, and it is not good business for Germany to quarrel with this country."

THE GRANDNORTHERN CENSUS OF GERMANY.—A lady in Berlin sends the *Daily News* a copy of the requirements of her census paper, the following being the words in front of the blank spaces to be filled up:—Christian and surname;—; Masculine or feminine;—; Married, single, widowed, divorced;—; By married people, year of (last) wedlock;—; Born on;—; In the year;—; Birthplace;—; In what neighbourhood;—; For those born out of the present Prussian Staatsgebiet, native land;—; Since when in Berlin;—; Occupation, profession, position;—; Religion;—; Mother tongue;—; Under German, or what law?—; Any defect, blind in both eyes, deaf and dumb, &c.;—; Was the defect at birth or later?—; With regard to children in the first year of life, with what is the child? (1st December) nourished, if with mother's or wet nurse's milk or animal's milk, or other food. Besides these questions, anyone keeping a boarding-house is requested to state:—How many front windows in house? How many rooms? What the rent of each? And how much is charged for board? Is there a bath-room and w.c.? Also a pantry? What rent is paid by the boarding-house keeper yearly? How much is made out of boarding-house? Those who are inclined to consider the British census papers a sufficient inquiry will, after a perusal of these questions, surely be contented. The census of this Colony has just been taken and we may thank our lucky stars that the above was not inflicted.

## FUNERAL OF HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

His Excellency the Governor courteously informs us that he is in receipt of a telegram from the Secretary of State to the effect that the funeral of our late Sovereign, Queen Victoria, will take place at 1 p.m. on Saturday.

The following notifications were issued in the form of a *Gazette Extraordinary* to-day:—  
GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 57.  
Whereas the funeral of our late Sovereign, Lady QUEEN VICTORIA is to take place on Saturday, the 2nd February, 1901, His Excellency the Governor directs that the day shall be observed as one of Public Mourning.

All Public Offices will be closed on that day. By Command.

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 30th January, 1901.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 58.  
With reference to the above Notification, the following is published.

By Command.  
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 30th January, 1901.

REGULATION.  
Made by the Governor in Council under section 2 of The Holidays Ordinance, 1875, this 30th day of January, 1901.

The Police Magistrate's Department shall be and the same is hereby excluded from the operation of the above Recited Ordinance on the 2nd and 3rd February, 1901.

R. F. JOHNSTON,  
Acting Clerk of Councils.

## AN OUTBREAK OF FIRE YESTERDAY.

We have had a fairly big number of fires within the past few months, some of which have proved serious, whilst others were extinguished before becoming dangerous. A dwelling house, No. 1, Shelley Street, was the scene of a fire yesterday at 12.20 p.m. The first floor of the house was occupied by a family, and was somewhat set on fire. The origin of the outbreak is supposed to be the result of an opium lamp being too near some drapery at the lamp. It is supposed, was too close to the fire, a 'mosquito' curtain, some bedding, and a portion of a partition, which property was all destroyed. Before serious proportions were assumed, however, the Captain Superintendent of Police arrived on the scene with the Fire Brigade, in response to information received, and it was only owing to prompt measures taken by the brigade in putting out the flames that a big blaze was avoided. They are to be particularly complimented on their work in connection with this fire when it is said that the amount of the damage was only \$100. It might easily have been very much larger than this small figure, but for the smartness with which the man turned out.

The property was not covered by insurance.

## THE PROCLAMATION OF OUR LATE QUEEN.

In view of yesterday's ceremony, the following account of the proclamation of the accession of our late Queen, taken from *The Mirror* for Saturday, 1st July, 1897, will be of interest to our readers:—

Wednesday, June 21st, was the day fixed by the Queen for this ceremony; it was the longest day, and God grant that it may be the commencement of the longest reign in our legal calendar, to be distinguished alike for its glory and its endurance. Her Majesty attended by her august mother, the Duchess of Kent, and suite, arrived from Kensington at St. James's Palace, at ten o'clock. The Queen who was dressed in plain mourning, soon after her arrival, passed through the State Rooms to the Presence Chamber, the window of which looking into the large courtyard of the palace by the side of Marlborough House, was open. The arrangements in the courtyard beneath presented a picturesque appearance. A guard of honour of the Life Guards was drawn up in the centre facing the palace; a little in advance stood the Queen's marshals, the Queen's sergeant-at-arms, and the household drums and trumpets in state uniforms. On the north side of the space between the Guards and the Palace, were the sergeants-at-arms on horseback, bearing their large gilt maces, and wearing silver collars of SS; on the opposite side near to the window at which Her Majesty stood, were the heralds and pursuivants, dismounted and uncrowned. Sir William Woods, (Clarendon king-at-arms), acting as Deputy Garter, wore a splendid tabard, richly embroidered in gold, and a gold collar of SS; James Cathrow Disney, Esq., Somerset herald; C. G. Young, Esq., York herald; and Walter Aston Blount, Esq., Chester herald, wore tabards of satin, richly embroidered, and silver collars of SS. Mr. James Pulman, portcullis-pursuivant; Mr. Robert Laurie, rouge croix-pursuivant; Mr. George Harrison, blanchet-pursuivant; and Mr. Thomas W. King, rouge dragon-pursuivant, also wore embroidered satin tabards. At ten o'clock, the military band struck up, and the Park and Tower guns fired a double and royal salute; at the conclusion of which the Marquis of Lansdowne, president of the Council, led the Queen forward to the open window. The appearance of her Majesty was the signal for the loudest exclamations of joy, the ladies waving their handkerchiefs, and the gentlemen their hats in the air. At the first shout of gratulation, the young Queen burst into tears; which, continued, notwithstanding an evident attempt on the part of her Majesty to restrain her feelings, to flow down her pale cheeks, until her Majesty retired from the window. Her recognition of the people was by graceful courtesy in return for their devotional affection towards her. During these proceedings the heralds had taken their customary station immediately beneath the windows at which the Queen was standing; and, upon silence being obtained, Clarendon, Sir W. Woods, in the absence of Garter king-at-arms, Sir Ralf Bignold, read the proclamation, made the day previously at Kensington, as follows:—

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God to call to His mercy Our late Sovereign Lord King William the Fourth of Blessed and Glorious Memory, by whose decease the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland solely and rightfully comes to the High and Mighty Princess Alexandra Victoria, saving the rights of any issue of His late Majesty King William the Fourth which may be born of His late Majesty's Consort; Wetherefore, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal of this Realm, being here assisted with those of His late Majesty's Privy Council with numbers of others, principal gentlemen of quality with the Mayor, Aldermen and citizens of London do now hereby with one voice and consent of tongue and heart publish and proclaim that the High and Mighty Princess Alexandra Victoria is now by the death of Our late Sovereign of happy memory, become our only lawful right and legitimate Lady Victoria by the Grace of God Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, saving as aforesaid. To whom, saving as aforesaid, we do acknowledge all faith and constant obedience with all hearty and humble affection, beseeching God by whom Kings and Queens do reign to bless the Royal Princess Victoria with long and happy years to reign: over us. Given at the Court at Kensington, this twentieth day of June, One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."

At first, the cheering prevented the proclamation being heard, but the latter part was distinctly audible and at the word "God Save the Queen" Sir W. Woods gave the signal by waving his sceptre. A flourish of trumpets then blown, and the Park and Tower guns again fired a salute in token of the completion of the ceremony.

The Queen and her attendants having retired from the window, the heralds set out with the cavalcade, the procession having formed in Pall Mall, as follows:—

A Detachment of Life Guards, Police and other Constables to clear the way;

The High Constable of Westminster on horseback, carrying his staff;

A Detachment of Life Guards.

Constables of Westminster with their staves.

The High Bailiff of Westminster.

Horse Guards.

Trumpets.

Knight Marshals, two and two.

Household Drums.

Kettledrums.

Trumpets.

The Deputy Sergeant Trumpeter, in his collar, on foot.

Sergeants-at-Arms, bearing their maces.

PURSUIVANTS.

Bluemantle.

Thomas W. M. King, G. H. Rogers Harrison.

Rouge Croix.

Robert Laurie.

HERALDS.

Chester.—Walter Aston-Blount, Esq.

York.

Chen, Geo. Young, Jas. Cathrow Disney, Esq.

The City Marshal then admitted the pursuivant within the City of London, and conducted him to the Lord Mayor, who, upon being made acquainted with the object of his visit, directed the whole of the cavalcade to be admitted.

The pursuivant, upon the receipt of this permission, returned to the western side of the boundary, when the gates of Temple Bar were thrown wide open to admit the procession.

At the corner of Chancery Lane, York herald read the proclamation.

Then the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Recorder, Sheriffs, and other City Authorities, fell into the procession immediately after the officers at arms, and moved on to the end of Wood Street, where the Cross formerly stood, in Chesapeake; here the proclamation was read by Chester herald. The procession then advanced to the Royal Exchange, in Cornhill, opposite the gates of which the proclamation was loudly read by Portcullis pursuivant.

At each of the halting places, after the proclamation had been read, the band played. "God Save the Queen," and the sentiment of the anthem was responded to by the acclamations of the assembled thousands—the spontaneous and loyal impulses of a free and happy people. The crowds in the streets were densely packed, and such was the curiosity to witness the brief ceremony, that multitudes were assembled, for that purpose, on the roofs of the Bank of England, and the Royal Exchange.

At twenty minutes past twelve o'clock, the ceremony was entirely at an end. The Lord Mayor drove to the Mansion House; the Aldermen and Sheriffs to their respective residences; and the heralds and military rode to their destination over London Bridge.

Thus terminated the ceremonial of the proclamation of Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

## HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

The entertainment offered at the Circus at the Happy Valley is now improved by the addition of the Jansons. With them and the Sisters Fraxagondas and a long varied programme besides, a capital evening's pleasure can be obtained. The attendances are not quite so good as on the first night but that can hardly be expected of anything. Still, the management must feel gratified at the manner in which they have been received, so far in this Colony and it is only to be expected that they will be as popular for weeks to come. Last night many bouquets were presented to the performers and applause was freely given for the clever actions of many of those giving such pleasant evenings entertainment. The interest in a circus and a show never flags so long as there is something worth seeing, and that is why the circus has had so successful a time. A good programme is presented to-night and a big attendance is assured.

## DIOCESAN SCHOOL AND ORPHANAGE.

ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

The annual distribution of prizes in connection with the above institution took place at noon yesterday and passed off very successfully. The Right Rev. J. C. Hoare, D.D. (Bishop of Victoria) was in the chair, and there were also present amongst others the Rev. R. F. Cobbold, Rev. R. F. Johnson, Rev. Mr. Wells, Chief Inspector Mackie, Mr. C. Mooney, &c. Music occupied the attention of those present for some time. Masters Eustace and Walter Hagen singing "What are the wild waves doing?" very well. Mr. S. F. Whittick (assistant at the school) gave much pleasure by his singing.

Mr. H. Bykes, the Acting Headmaster, then presented his report, which was as follows:—

"The school continues to increase in numbers, the average attendance during the past year being 154 against 148 the previous year. The result of the examination by the Inspector of Schools has not yet been received, so that I am unable to give any particulars as to results. Fifteen candidates entered for the Oxford University Local Examinations in July, and of these 13 passed; 1 in the Senior, 6 in the Junior and 6 in the Preliminary. Mr. and Mrs. Piercy, a pleasant young man, well educated, and a good worker in the school. During the year he will return with renewed health and strength, and for many years the work which has hitherto so prospered in their hands. Mrs. Piercy's place is being filled by Mrs. Snuggs, who has already gained the sympathy and good-will of the boys. Mr. Frampton, who had worked very zealously for the school, left in December to take charge of the Government English School in Seoul. We expect a master from England in a few weeks to take his place. Mr. Horth, who came out in April, left the Colony in July, and his place has been filled by Mr. Whittick, an experienced teacher from Manchester, who with Mr. Snuggs and Mr. Arnold is doing excellent work in the school. During the year various improvements have been completed. The old kitchens have been removed, thus largely increasing the play-ground, a new boundary wall has been built, and a new entrance provided, and a tennis court has been made, an addition greatly appreciated by the boys. The building has also been fitted with gas. On the whole the boys have enjoyed good health during the year, there having been no serious cases of sickness. Instruction in physical drill has been regularly given throughout the year by a sergeant of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. During the summer the boys were taken for swimming to Tai Chi-ko (twice a week). On Boxing Day, through the kindness of Sir T. Jackson and Mr. Cobbold, the boys were enabled to have a lunch picnic to Kap-Sai-Mun. Our best thanks are due to the Medical Staff of the Government Civil Hospital for kind attention to sick boys, to Mr. Chadwick for dental aid, and to the following gentlemen for prizes:—The Right Reverend the Bishop of Victoria, Sir T. Jackson, Sir J. Carrington, Hon. W. M. Goodman, Hon. Wei Yuk Messrs. D. R. Crawford, Choo Shee Chee, D. Elphinstone, Fung Wa Chün, D. Gillies, T. Hunter, A. Mackie, F. Southey, W. Whitley. During the year the Rev. R. F. Cobbold has attended to



Preliminary.—C. W. Olson, J. G. Howard, Ng Tin Po, H. H. Strangman, E. Abong, E. Hagen.

PRIZE WINNERS—FORM PRIZES.  
Form VII.—(1) F. Drude, (2) W. Moynihan, (3) F. L. Cho, (4) E. Abong.  
Form V.—(1) H. Ahee, (2) T. Younger.  
Form IV.—(1) Fung U Sham, (2) U. Wai Tak.

Form III.—(1) Tam Hok Kwei, (2) L. Lo Braton.  
Form II.—(1) Wong Hon Sing, (2) Lam Chak Yuen.  
Form I.—(1) Ko Pak Meng, (2) R. J. Hastings, (3) C. A. Bourn.

SCIENTIFIC.  
Form VII.—(1) F. Drude, (2) W. Moynihan, (3) F. L. Cho, (4) E. Abong.  
Form VI.—(1) Ng Tin Po.  
Form V.—(1) P. Hastings, (2) W. Blumenberg.  
Form IV.—(1) Chan Hem Shou, (2) Ho Wing Shun.  
Form III.—(1) E. L. Le Braton.  
Form II.—(1) J. Crows, W. Mackie, F. Siemsen.  
Form I.—(1) S. Smith, E. Alvarez, W. Robertson.

SPECIAL.  
Good conduct—H. J. Ahee.  
VI. Mathematics—Fan Kam.  
VII. Mathematics—Pun I Chi.  
VIII. Mathematics—Ng Ting Po.  
IX. Mathematics—T. Younger.  
X. Mathematics—A. Mackenzie.  
XI. Mathematics—W. Wai Tak.  
XII. Mathematics—L. Lewis.  
XIII. Mathematics—L. Lewis.  
XIV. Mathematics—L. Lewis.  
XV. Mathematics—L. Lewis.  
XVI. Mathematics—L. Lewis.  
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XX. Mathematics—L. Lewis.

The Bishop, having concluded the distribution, made a short speech, in which he said that H.E. The Governor could not attend, as he had put off all his public engagements on account of the lamented death of the Queen. They all missed Mr. and Mrs. Piercy, but he hoped that they were having a good holiday at home and that they would have them back again with them in good health and strength, ready to resume the good work they had carried on at the school before. He was sure from what they had seen that they would be perfectly at rest in their minds about the prosperity of the school during Mr. Piercy's absence. There were one or two things mentioned in the report which he would like to call attention to. One was the great improvement in the playground, which he was sure was a very important thing. That which people suffered very much from in Hongkong was want of room to exercise and amuse themselves in, and he was sure they were all agreed that if the school-boys were to do good work they must have good playgrounds. Through the removal of buildings and other alterations the area for play had been almost doubled, and it was a very good thing that this had been done. While on the subject, he might mention a shortcoming of his own, or rather of Mr. Piercy's. When the alterations to the playground were progressing, he (the speaker) had promised to give the netting which would keep the balls in the court on the measurement being supplied to him, well, as he had not been provided with the measurements he had not been able to provide the netting. But the promise still held good, and he would see that the netting was forthcoming on the measurements being supplied to him. (Hear, hear.) He expected Mr. Piercy forgot the matter in his hurry in preparing for home. There was only one other remark he wanted to make, and that was with respect to the school itself. As he came there after year he could not help being thankful for the very excellent work which was being done there, the school being one which provided an excellent education based on Christian principles. It was most important in this Colony that educational work should not be without religion. They would all realise of course that since they last met, there had been a little sister born, the Diocesan Girls' School, which was conducted on much the same principles as his school. He was sure they would all wish God's blessing on the little sister, and hope that she might soon have as good a building as theirs, and that the number attending the new school would be as great. By the way, the boys had really pined their school, for it was built and founded for girls. The boys had simply pushed the girls out and occupied the place themselves. (Applause.) He did not think they ought to cheer for that; he thought they ought to be ashamed of it. (Applause.) There was just one other point in regard to the school which he would like to speak about. As he came year after year he was very thankful for what he saw; but there was something which he did not like to see, and he thought they should get it altered. That was the mixing of races in the school, meaning the Europeans and Chinese. He thought he could say this without giving any offence to either race. He was an Englishman, but as they knew, he had spent more than half his life in teaching Chinese boys. Therefore, he did not speak in such a manner through lack of sympathy with the Chinese. He loved the Chinese from the bottom of his heart, and they had seen by the results of the examinations, and certainly it was borne out by his own experience that the Chinese boys were as capable of studying as the other boys, and could compete with them successfully. Therefore when he spoke as he was speaking he did it without any idea of disparaging either one race or the other. He did not believe it was a good thing to put the two races side by side in the school. There was a girl between a Chinaman as a Chinaman and an Englishman as an Englishman, and he did not think it was a good thing for them to be educated side by side. He thought they wanted to train up the Chinaman to be a Chinaman and not half a Chinaman and half an Englishman. He liked to see a Chinaman an educated man, but he liked to see him a Chinaman, and he would like to see the Chinese educated separately. He must say he considered it a great blot on this Colony and a very serious blot, that it provided no school where European children could go without a mixture. He did not know how the practice had grown up. At Shanghai there was an excellent school for Europeans. At the same time work amongst the Chinese went on in Shanghai, he considered, quite as successfully as work amongst the English. He only wished they could see it here. As he had said, he did not know how it had come about, but to his mind it was very serious for a colony like Hongkong that it did not offer a school for its own people alone. It did not seem to be a good thing to govern a colony to the neglect of the education of the children of their own race, and whilst the claims of their own race, and whilst the where they could get a good education ought not to be neglected, at the same time it ought to be one of the first duties of an English Government in an English colony to provide an education for the sons and daughters of their own people. The Bishop then said he hoped that the boys would have an enjoyable holiday, and that they would come back to school ready for a still more prosperous year's work than the one which had just passed.

The Rev. Mr. Cobbold then called for three cheers for the Bishop for his kindness in attending. The scholars heartily responded, and the Bishop, having thanked them, announced that the school would be closed to March 1st. The gathering then dispersed.

## SPORTING GOSSIP.

There was not much galloping of any importance done at the Course this morning. The subscription wagers belonging to Mr. Gillies, Mr. Dorey and Mr. Lewis were sent a mile, but did not do anything of a particularly striking nature. Sir Horace McMahon's waler is evidently the Derby favourite so far, and should show up well in the race, bar accidents.

The programme and list of entries has been arranged, I hear, but as no official copy has yet been given out it is not safe to discuss it. By Saturday I hope to have received a copy. A rough proof was posted at the Course this morning.

From Shanghai I have received a printed report of a meeting of the Shanghai Race Club, held on 31st ultimo, for the purpose of discussing the advisability of getting up horses from Australia for the spring meeting, owing to the difficulty of obtaining China ponies from the North. There were thirty-six voting members and a large number of non-voting members present, and a long discussion took place, some members being of opinion that China ponies would be forthcoming and that to import horses would be too expensive for many members and spoil sport. The following resolution was proposed and, after a good deal of criticism, was carried with only four dissentients:—

"That in view of the extreme improbability of there being sufficient griffins to supply the usual demand for subscription griffins, thereby necessitating the elimination of the subscription griffin races from the programme for the Spring Meeting, the Stewards shall set apart those particular events, say one 'Each day for the first and second days and two for the third day' for subscription griffins, provided a sufficient number are subscribed for, say thirty."

## EARLY BIRD.

POLLARD'S LILLIPUTIANS.  
There was a good attendance at the theatre last night for the last but one performance of this season by this popular company. "The Geisha" was arranged to be staged by request, for the last time produced by the young performers that there was no doubt about the formers of the representation last night. Miss Alice Benetto as the chief Geisha, O. Mimosa San, received loud bursts of applause on frequent occasions; her singing in the "Amorous Goldfish" being of the highest order, as also in the "Kissing Duet" by her and Miss Ivy Troit as Reginald Fairfax. The latter, with Miss Madge Williams as Molly Seymour, sang well in the duet, with the rich, warm-toned voice of Miss Ivy Troit sang "Star of my soul" very well and Willie Pollard, with "Chin chin Chinaman" fairly carried away the honours of the evening. His dancing and walking was deserving of the encore with which it was received. The interfering parrot, by little Miss Williams, was cleverly rendered and like the other, was warmly applauded. Miss Agnes Turner must be praised for her cleverness in carrying out the requirements of a scheming French girl. The Marguerite Imari, the part taken by Master H. Hill, gained considerable ability to be played properly. The very pretty music and scenery, with neat and good-looking uniforms and dresses go a long way to making the piece such a success.

To-night the last performance this season takes place, prior to a season in Manila, and there is bound to be a large audience.

The Robinson Piano Company have, as usual, had the booking arrangements in hand.

## SANTARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board will be held on Thursday, the 31st January, at 4.15 p.m.

## ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Correspondence regarding the unaltered immediately west of the Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's wharf.
2. Letter from Government relative to the appointment of an additional Inspector for the City Slaughter-House and Cattle Depot.
3. Reply from Government regarding Police supervision of the Animal Depot at Kennedy Town.
4. Reply from Government relative to stalls in public streets and footpaths.
5. Reply to the Board's recommendation relative to the nuisance existing on the hillside at Kennedy Town, and the malaria swamp situated beside the old glass works.
6. Reply from Government concerning the Government Analyst's monthly report on the water supply.
7. Report of the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon as to the lighting, &c. of the proposed New Western Market.
8. Suggestions by the Medical Officer of Health regarding Section 7 of the Building Ordinance.
9. Reply from Government relative to Bye-law 18 of the Drainage By-law.
10. The Medical Officer of Health, pursuant to notice, will move—

"That the Board direct the attention of the Government to the urgent necessity for amending the law governing the height of buildings, and beg to recommend that no building be permitted to be erected, in future, to a greater height than one and a half times the width of the street on which it fronts."

## AGENDA.

1. Application for permission to erect six water closets and six urinals at the Club house for the Club Germania.
2. Application for the erection of a building of a height of over 76 feet.
3. Report of a case of Plague in the town of Singapore.
4. Statement showing the number of Plague cases and deaths in Bombay City, from November 13th to December 10th, 1900.
5. Further letters relative to Cholera in Singapore.
6. Lime-washing return for the fortnight ended January 23rd, 1901.
7. Mortality Returns from Macao for the weeks ended 13th and 20th January, 1901.
8. Mortality Statistics of this Colony for the weeks ended 13th and 20th January, 1901.

## ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

Club Race No. 7 will be sailed on February 3rd, 1901, over course No. 4. The race for the Navy Cup is postponed until February 9th. Time &c. as previously notified.

## BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

## HONGKONG AND CHINA BRANCH.

A Meeting of the Local Branch of the British Medical Association will be held at Dr. Jordan's office, Prince's Building, this evening at 8 o'clock punctually.

Dr. J. C. Thomson will introduce a discussion on Malaria, with special reference to local conditions, and will give a demonstration of the Mosquitoes and Malaria Parasites prevalent in the Colony.

All members of the Medical Profession in Hongkong, whether belonging to the Association or not, are cordially invited to be present and take part in the discussion, and also to bring forward any interesting clinical cases or pathological specimens that may be at their disposal.

Gentlemen wishing to join the Association through this Branch, or being already members of the Association, willing to be connected with the Local Branch, are requested to send their names to the Hon. Secretary.

## MEMORIAL SERVICE.

A Military Memorial Service in Commemoration of our most Gracious Sovereign Lady Queen Victoria will be held on the day of burial, and February, at St. John's Cathedral at 9.30 A.M.

Voluntary Dead March from Saul, Mendelssohn. (With Hymn 454.)  
Santas from Dutil Service.  
Psalm XC. 14th and 15th verses.  
Proper Lesson St. Matthew V. verses 20-26.  
Prayers for the Burial Service, with two thanksgivings adapted from the Accession Service.  
Hymn 232.  
Santas from Dutil Service.  
Collect for the King from Commemorial Service.  
Collect for All Saints Day.  
Bidding.  
Voluntary, Funeral Service "Crossing the Bar" Bridge.

## AT THE MAGISTRACY.

## WATCH SNATCHING AT THE DEMONSTRATION.

Before Mr. Kemp this morning, Yeung Ping, who gave himself out as an unemployed boy, was charged with attempting to snatch a gold watch, value \$39.50 from a person in the Cricket Ground yesterday at the reading of the proclamation of the accession to the throne of King Edward VII. The complainant was an employee of Harpingtons Circus and detected the attempt about 4.30 in the afternoon. His Worship fined the defendant \$10 or fourteen days' hard labour this morning.

It was a favourable opportunity for this class of thieves, but this man was not smart enough.

MISS NELLIE HARMSTON, "SQUEEZED" BY A RICKSHAW COOLIE.  
The coolie fined \$10.

One of the common "squeezing" rickshaw coolies stood at the dock this morning, before Mr. Kemp, in consequence of his refusing to accept a fare without being paid beforehand more than the legal amount.

Miss Nellie Harmston, the little performer who danced so well at the circus, went to the Happy Valley in a rickshaw on Sunday night from Connaught House. The coolie waited some little time and when his fare made her re-appearance he demanded the pre-payment of 40 cents, or he would not take her back. They were arguing together when an officer came upon the scene, and, seeing the girl's difficulty, promptly informed Inspector Ford, who was on duty in the district. The inspector had the coolie brought before Mr. Kemp this morning, and a fine of \$10 was the result.

The coolie had not anticipated, that in his most strenuous endeavours to make a profit of 10 cents, that he would finally be out of pocket to the tune of \$10.

## CLEAR COUNTERFEIT COIN CASE.

Wholesale manufacturing of the base coins. Yesterday P. C. Abley went to the village of Mong Kok to execute a gambling warrant, and what he found instead was of greater import, for he discovered, wrapped up in rags, a complete stamp etc., for turning out base coins. Close by were the coins ready to be "cooked." There was one ready to be passing, several copper ones waiting to be silvered over, and several which had not received the impression from the stamp.

Mr. Hazeland had the man before him this morning charged with making the counterfeit money, and the case was remanded.

## GAMBLERS.

Another gambling raid was effected yesterday, this time by Inspector Macdonald with a party of police who visited a well-known gambling house at 7 p.m. at Sham Shui Po, and found a crowd of Chinese engrossed in a game of pai kau.

Fifteen arrests were made, and this morning Mr. Hazeland fined two \$15 for being keepers of the house, and the other 13 were fined \$2 each for gambling.

## THE QUALITY OF THE MEAT AT THE CENTRAL MARKET.

Before Mr. Hazeland this afternoon Wai Wan, holder of No. 19 beef stall at the Central Market was charged with taking meat into the market which did not bear the official stamp.

Mr. Bowley (Crown Solicitor) prosecuted and Mr. J. Francis, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) was for the defendant. The evidence for the prosecution was heard. The inspectors at the market spoke, but on being questioned by Mr. Francis, one of them admitted that when he was absent the stamping was done by the sheriff and that the stamp was always put in a certain part and that part might have been cut off.

Mr. Francis contended that that was not proper supervision of what was admitted into the market, and his Worship ordered the discharge of the defendant.

## ACTION AGAINST THE PACIFIC MAIL CO.

According to the S. F. Call, a libel suit against the steamship City of Rio de Janeiro, belonging to the above Company, was to be filed on the 17th ult. in the U.S. District Court, for alleged breach of contract and bad treatment of passengers on board that steamer on a recent voyage from the East to San Francisco. It appears that when German agents were in the States purchasing horses for a firm in San Francisco a certain number of men were to go with the transports. The firm contracted with these men to furnish the care-takers of the horses with European steerage accommodation to China and back.

These men, all of whom are American citizens, were treated worse than cattle while on the Rio de Janeiro, said Attorney Reardon. They had no idea when they boarded the ship at Nagasaki that they would be given any other accommodation than what they were told they would have. Otherwise they would never have come on the vessel.

When the Rio de Janeiro came out of the harbour of Nagasaki, the men discovered that they had been assigned to the Asiatic steamer, and were landed in China, Chinese, Japanese, Filipinos and other denizens of the unsavoury quarters. They protested to the captain of the ship, but their complaints were of no avail. About ten of the men were assigned to the European steamer, but the others were compelled to accept the vile quarters assigned them by the ship's officers. That mutiny and bloodshed did not occur was due to the good character of the men, who are law-abiding American citizens. The story they told on their arrival in Singapore in every detail. The Chinese and Japanese are not noted for their observance of sanitation, and the condition of the Asiatic steamer, who were forced for a long ocean voyage to herd with the Asiatics, became pitiful. Some of the men were made very ill from the fumes of the pipes of the opium smokers and the foul air of the close quarters; and not a man escaped severe attacks of dysentery, caused by the polluted drinking water, while three of them contracted typhoid fever.

The food given to the men was not as good as that given to the Asiatics, and for the entire voyage they were compelled to exist on bread and sugar, this diet being varied by the charity of the second-class passengers, who, unknown to the ship's officers, gave the suffering and starving men some assistance.

## ORIME IN SELANGOR.

## LAWLESSNESS RAMPANT.

The Malay Mail thus calls attention to the growth of lawlessness in Selangor: "The evil has increased, is increasing, and we have reached the point when almost every day brings news of more robbery and violence in the suburbs of Kuala Lumpur, or some of the outstation villages and mining camps, to say nothing of burglaries in the European quarter. This intolerable state of affairs has evoked the strongest indignation both in mining and mercantile circles and amongst the public. This is ascribed to depression in mining, which has thrown many persons out of employment. Blackmailing is now common. It is feared that the blackmailers will next extort money for safe-conduct."

The police in Selangor fall so short in coping with the state of crime, that some of the miners have taken action for their own protection. They are said to have placarded notices at the mines offering rewards for the capture of robbers and promising to pay \$50 for any coolie wounded in attempting to effect such a capture, and \$300 to the next of kin of any coolie killed in attempting such a capture. Perhaps the formation of a society for the rewarding of informers might lead to the perpetration of some of Hongkong's undetected crimes being brought to justice. The reward of \$300 offered for the arrest of the murderer of the unfortunate Mr. Yeung does not, however, seem to have had much effect.

## ESCAPED BOER PRISONERS AT RANGOON.

The local police, have in custody two men who are alleged to have escaped from the Boer camp in the Ceylon. Both the men had secured their passages by a Chinese steamer, the Seang Leung, which was proceeding to Penang on Saturday, but on information received from Colombo they were arrested on board by Inspector Barnes. They do not admit that they were ever in the South African War, but they were runaway sailors from Colombo. They gave their names to the Inspector as Leopold Hanan and Paul Werner, respectively. They say that they are Swiss and that they had come originally from Antwerp by the Guentels. They further stated that they were proceeding to Sumatra via Penang. On the Inspector making inquiries he ascertained that they had come from Colombo where they were wanted. The description sent from there tallied with that of the men in every way. One of them had a scar on the back of the right hand and the other has a gunshot wound. They gave in their names as Reinhard and Hirschland to the Captain on embarking at Colombo, and these are the names of the missing men. As they expressed a desire to go before a Consul the Inspector took them before the German Consul, where they refused to give any information. They were next placed before the Magistrate of the Eastern Subdivision, who remanded them to goal. The two Boer prisoners will be taken back to Ceylon by the steamer leaving Rangoon on Thursday. Rangoon Gazette.

## GAMBLING IN MALAYA.

## CHINESE OPINION.

Mr. Lo Tsong Yao, the acting Consul-General for China in the Straits Settlements, has been on a visit to Mr. Yap Kwan Seng, the Captain China, at Kuala Lumpur. At an interview there with the representative of the Malay Mail, the Consul-General thus held forth on gambling:

He had found gambling very prevalent in Selangor, which derived a large revenue from it. He knew the arguments in favour of the present system, but he firmly believed gambling could and should be put down. It was not allowed in Singapore, why should it be allowed in Selangor? He had heard it said that the Chinese were born gamblers. He did not think this was true. There was no gambling of this sort in China, except at Canton, and its prevalence there was due to the close vicinity of Macao where the Portuguese raised their revenue by encouraging gambling. [How about Shanghai Lotteries?—Ed. H. K. T.] There were many Cantonese in Japan, yet there were neither opium farms nor gambling farms there. Both these vices were prohibited in that country and what could be done there could be done in Selangor. Granted that such a policy would be difficult to carry out, Mr. Lo Tsong Yao could not believe that it was an impossible one. He thought a better education and more amusement rather than gambling facilities might be provided for the people. True, the local population was a shifting one, but still a proportion of them settled in Selangor and children born in the country should certainly not be allowed to gamble.

## NOTANDA.

## CALENDAR.

## JANUARY.

## Meteorological means based on fifteen years' observations to 1899.

Barometer.....30.159

Thermometer.....59.7

Humidity.....74

Rainfall.....1.545

## TO-DAY.

## WEATHER REPORT.

On 31st Jan. 1901.

Barometer.....30.15

Thermometer.....61

Humidity.....70

Rainfall.....0.00

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## TODAY.

## Wednesday, 30th January, 1901.

Chinese—11th of 12th moon of 26th year of Kwang-su.

Sun—Rises.....6hr. 45min.

Sets.....5hr. 45min.

Moon—Max. Declination V. 7hr. 45min.

High water—Morning.....5hr. 45min.

Afternoon.....6hr. 45min.

Low water—Morning.....5hr. 45min.

Afternoon.....6hr. 45min.

## ANNIVERSARIES.

1849—Charles I. beheaded.

1849—Lord Saltoun left China with \$400,000 ransom money.

1897—Collision between S.S. Echigo Maru and H.M.S. Narcissus in Chemulpo harbour.

1898—Foundation Stone of the "Bellios" Reformatory laid by His Excellency the Governor, Sir W. Robinson, G.C.M.G.

## TO-MORROW.

Thursday, 31st January, 1901.

Chinese—12th of 12th moon of 26th year of Kwang-su.

Sun—Rises.....6hr. 45min.

Sets.....5hr. 45min.

Moon—Max. Declination V. 7hr. 45min.

High water—Morning.....5hr. 45min.

Afternoon.....6hr. 45min.

Low water—Morning.....5hr. 45min.

Afternoon.....6hr. 45min.

## ANNIVERSARIES.

1606—Guy Fawkes executed.

1863—Sailor's Home, Hongkong, opened.

1887—Loss of the C. M. Co.'s steamer Howsang off Dodd Island, near Amoy.

1895—Outer forts of Wei-hai-wei captured by the Japanese.

1898—Engineers' strike terminated.

## AGENDA.

## TO-DAY.

9 p.m.—Sharp. Farewell Performance of the Pollard's Lilliputians at the Theatre Royal.

9 p.m.—Sharp. Harpington's Circus at the Recreation Ground (near Race Course).

10.30 p.m.—Precisely. Regular Meeting of the Victoria Precinctory at the Freemasons' Hall Zealand Street.

Cargo ex Maria Valeria subject to rent.

## TO-MORROW.

A. L. S. N. Co.'s steamer Maria Valeria leaves for Shanghai.

4 p.m.—E. & A. Co.'s steamer Guthrie leaves for Australian Ports.

Cargo ex Malacca subject to rent.

## FRIDAY 31st February.

N. P. Co.'s steamer Olympia leaves for Victoria B.C. and Tacoma via Shanghai etc.

8.30 for 9 p.m.—Precisely. Regular Meeting of the Zealand Lodge at the Freemasons' Street.

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## SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

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Tacoma (Tacoma) 12th prox.

American (Gashit) 13th prox.

The D. & Co.'s steamer Hillel, from Japan China and Hongkong arrived in New York yesterday, the 29th inst.

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YAMAGUCHI MARU T. Mural	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	FRIDAY, 1st Feb., at Noon.
KANAGAWA MARU J. McKensie	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	FRIDAY, 8th Feb., at Daylight.
TAMBA MARU J. W. Wale	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 15th Feb., at Daylight.
SADO MARU W. Thompson	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	FRIDAY, 22nd Feb., at Daylight.
ROSETTA MARU N. Tate	(NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA)	FRIDAY, 22nd Feb., at Noon.
KASUGA MARU E. W. Haswell	MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	FRIDAY, 22nd Feb., at 4 P.M.

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A. S. MIHARA,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1901.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
SILESIA*	HAVRE and HAMBURG	9th Feb.
Bahle	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	February.
PREIBURG	HAVRE and HAMBURG	About 28th Feb.
Proesch	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	February.
SAXONIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	About 5th March.
Jäger	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	March.
HAMBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG	About 15th March.
Jacobs	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	March.
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HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama &amp; Honolulu) Saturday, 2nd Mar., at Noon.

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Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1901.

The U.S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF PEKING,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 14th February, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

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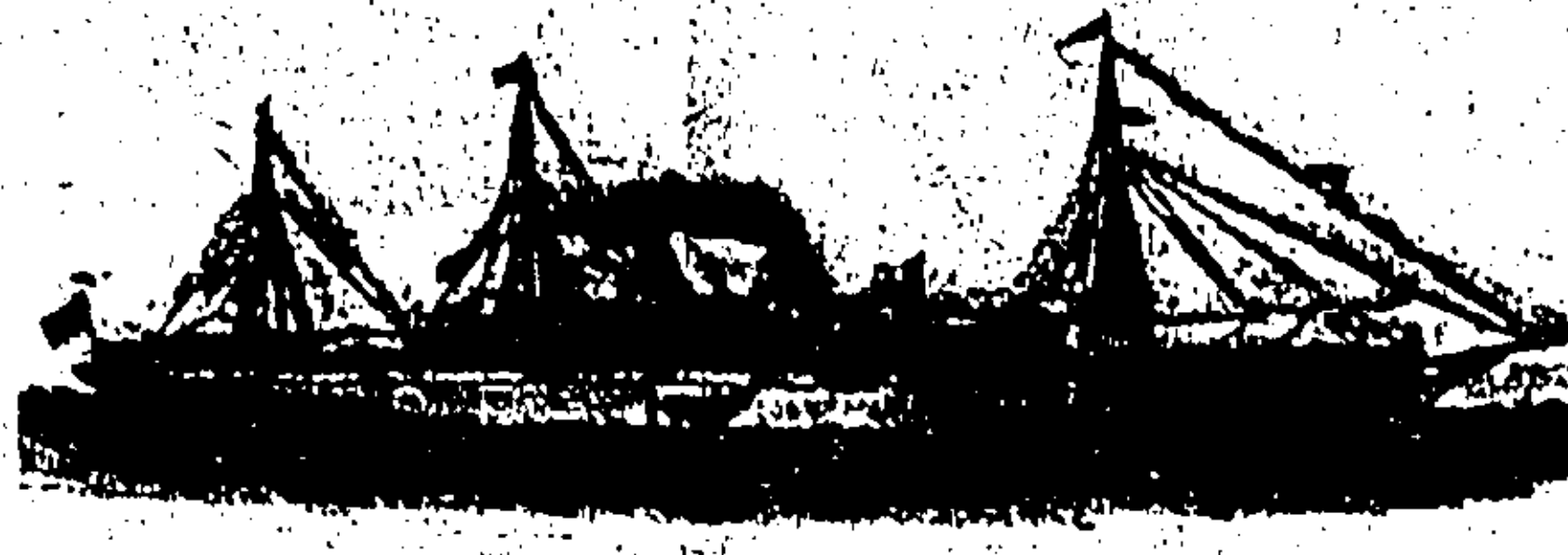
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Hongkong, 29th January, 1901.

## Mails.

## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA &amp; VICTORIA, B.C.) Twin Screw Steamships—5,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 13th February.  
EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 13th March.  
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 3rd April.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months. SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide, Books, Rates of Passage, &amp;c., apply to: D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1901.



## THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, INDIAN and AMERICAN PORTS).

THE Steamship

"PENINSULAR,"

Captain T. Leigh, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 2nd February, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, taking Cargo for London, &amp;c., will be conveyed via Bombay WITHOUT Transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office, until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to A. M. MARSHALL, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1901.

## OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE.

VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Saturday, 23rd Feb., at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Tuesday, 19th March, at Noon.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Saturday, 13th April, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"GAELIC,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 23rd February, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1901.

## NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA, IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Steamers: Olympia, 2,837 Tons, J. Truebridge, Feb. 1; Tacoma, 2,811 Tons, A. Dixon, Mar. 1; Victoria, 3,502 Tons, J. Panten, Mar. 8; Duke of Fife, 3,621 Tons, S. Cox, Mar. 15.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES OF THE UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON £52.

Excellent accommodation. First-class Table. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK £48.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent; two trans-continental trains daily from TACOMA. DINING CAR is attached to trans-continental trains day and night. TACOMA to NEW YORK in 41 days. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route.

HONGKONG TO VICTORIA, TACOMA £43.

The best route to the KODVKE GOLD FIELDS. Frequent Sailings from VICTORIA, TACOMA to DYNA and ST. MICHAEL.

Rates of Passage to other Points on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

For further Information as to Passage or Freight, apply to DODWELL &amp; Co., LIMITED, General Agents.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1901.

## CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON TOPEKA &amp; SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Taking Cargo and Passengers to JAPAN PORTS, and HONOLULU, THE UNITED STATES, &amp;c.

Kvarven... Saturday Feb. 2

Delgian King... Wednesday Feb. 6

THE Steamship

"KVARVEN,"

will be despatched for SAN DIEGO, and SAN FRANCISCO, via MOJIL, KOBE, YOKOHAMA &amp; HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 2nd February.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel packages will be received at the Office until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany cargo destined to Points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 24th January, 1901.

## NOTICE.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

Neither the CAPTAIN, nor the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS, will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crews of the following Vessel during her stay in Hongkong Harbour—

St. PAUL, American ship, Capt. Treat.

Hongkong, 24th January, 1901.

## Shipping—Steamers.

## CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL.
NAGASAKI and KOBE	"HANGOHOW"	31st January, at Daylight.
NAGASAKI and YOKOHAMA	"WUHU"	2nd February.
LOILO and CEBU	"KAIFONG"	6th February.
MANILA	"SUNGKIANG"	9th February.
MANILA	"CHANGSHA"	15th Feb., at 4 P.M.
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE...	"CHANGSHA"	15th Feb., at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1901.

## OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS.	CAPTAINS.	TO SAIL.
LONDON	"PROMETHEUS"	Day	5th February.
"	"ALCINOUS"	Pulford	19th February.
"	"IXION"	Robinson	5th March.
LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCOUS"		16th February.

(Taking Cargo at LONDON RATES).

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE, Agents, O. S. S. Co.

Hongkong, 24th January, 1901.

## AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"MARIA TERESA,"

Captain Raskevich, will leave for the above place, TO-MORROW, the 31st instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER, WIELER &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1901.

## EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS; and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &amp;c.)

THE Steamship

"GUTHRIE,"

Captain McArthur, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 31st instant, at 4 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &amp;c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric-light.

A Stewardess and a duly-qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—Return-Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA, are available for return by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th January, 1901.

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUISANG,"

Captain Tadd, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 5th February, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1901.

## FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

With Liberty to call at MANILA.

THE Steamship

"POLARSTJERNEN,"

will be despatched for the above Port, on or about the 5th February and will be followed by the S.S. "FOLMINA," about the middle of February.

For Freight, apply to DODWELL &amp; Co., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1901.

## THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY &amp; TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship

"ANPING MARU,"

Captain S. Atsumi, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th Feb., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1901.

## Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN &amp; Co.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1900.

## To be Let.

TO LET FURNISHED.

2 and 3, COUGH HILL, PEAK, from middle of April.

Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT &amp; AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1901.

## TO LET.

With Immediate Possession.

NO. 6, RICHMOND TERRACE (a Six Roomed House).

Apply to LAU CHU PAK, Care of A. S. Watson &amp; Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1901.

## Masonic.

ZETLAND LODGE.

No. 545, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on FRIDAY, the 1st February, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely.

Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.







